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County Approves Preliminary Plan For Beltway Plaza Redevelopment

by Matt Arbach

On February 20, the Prince George's County Planning Board voted to approve the Preliminary Plan of Subdivision (PPS) for the Beltway Plaza redevelopment proposed by GB Mall Limited Partnership. The approval was dependent upon conditions set out by the board, which focused mainly on bike and pedestrian accessibility within and around the site. The Greenbelt City Council also approved the PPS with a set of conditions of their own.

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The next step in the process is a Detailed Site Plan (DSP) submitted by the applicant. It will include more comprehensive proposals on things like housing types and internal road systems. Ultimately, the board will have the final say on this project, yet the conditions set out by council will also be taken into account. All these conditions will be addressed either in the DSP or at a later phase in the construction process.

According to Senior Planner Eddie Diaz Campbell, the planning board felt that the PPS proposal was friendly to pedestrians and bikes within the development. Thus, the main concern of their conditions was to provide the same quality off-site in the surrounding area. Specifically, there were proposals for trails, sidewalks, bus shelters and bike amenities in connection with Greenbelt Road, Cherrywood Lane and Breezewood Drive.

The other planning board conditions focused on tree conservation, effective lighting, storm drain outfalls to avoid adverse impacts on land, and pedestrian and bike amenities within the development, like signage, crosswalks and designated bike lanes.

The conditions from council included:

Access drives on Breezewood Drive.

Off-site woodland mitigation in conformance with county code.

25,000 square feet of interior space for public recreation activities and necessary ancillary activities.

ton said. "And once we get to

FY2030 it will be fully imple-

mented and we'll be spending about four billion additional dol-

School Board Representa-

tive Joshua Thomas was also in

attendance. Thomas represents Greenbelt and the rest of District

2 on the Prince George's County

Public School (PGCPS) Board.

He said that PGCPS would be

able to reduce class sizes as the

Kirwan funding came into effect.

comes in, we're going to be able

to retain more teachers, to hire

more teachers. When we think

about what's at the root cause of

overcrowded classrooms, it's two

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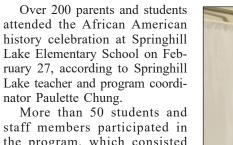
"As the Kirwan funding

lars on education."

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SHL Students, Staff, Celebrate African American Culture, Vote

by Brogan Gerhart



staff members participated in the program, which consisted of a chorus performance, a poetry reading by first-grader Marla Powe and an African attire fashion walk in which students modeled T-shirts they had made using traditional prints.

The Greenbelt S.I.T.Y. Stars jumped into the night's celebration to keep the energy going, and Springhill Lake's physical education teacher Mohamad Munu led an Afro beats dance and performed as part of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity.



Springhill Lake Elementary School students showcase their beautiful African attire.

"The vote is precious. It is almost sacred." This quote by Congressman John Lewis (D-Ga.) adorned a page on the evening's time for everyone in attendance.

program, perfectly encapsulating the theme of the celebration and what Chung said was an amazing

Women's History Month

News Review to Match Donations For V. Beauchamp Scholarship

by Brogan Gerhart

The Greenbelt News Review will be matching all donations, up to a total of \$5,000, made to the University of Maryland's Virginia W. Beauchamp Scholarship through March, Women's History Month.

This scholarship is named in honor of University of Maryland Professor Emerita Virginia Beauchamp, who founded the university's Department of Women's Studies in 1975. She was also a leading member of the Greenbelt News Review for more than 60

Don't forget to set your clocks forward on Sunday



What Goes On

8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building Wednesday, March 11 8 p.m. Council Worksession, Memorial Wall Plaque, Small Cell Ordinance and Policy Review, Community Center

years and an advocate for the community. "She was a feminist and a

tireless volunteer for Greenbelt in Greenbelt," said University of Maryland Campus Club President Sarah Bourne.

Bourne met Beauchamp in the 1960s. They were both members of the Prince George's County Historical Society and strong proponents of the Equal Rights Amendment. Throughout their long history, Bourne said she always viewed Beauchamp with a great deal of respect.

A Greenbelter at heart, Beauchamp served on the Women's Action Coalition of Prince George's County and the Prince See BEAUCHAMP, page 4

George's County Commission on Women from 1990 to 1993. Admired and recognized for her work in elevating women's issues, Beauchamp was inducted into the Prince George's County Women's Hall of Fame in 1991 and the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame in 2003.

The Beauchamp Scholarship, which was conceived by the Campus Club in 2016, has provided annual need-based awards of \$750 since its creation for graduate students in the Department of Women's Studies.

So far, nearly \$15,000 of the \$25,000 endowment goal has

Tuesday, March 10



From left, Nina Harris as Clairee Belcher, Divya Pereira as Truvy Jones and Rachel Heney as Shelby Eatenton-Latcherie in Steel Magnolias at the NASA Music and Drama Club. See story on page 12.

by Aneurin Canham-Clyne

Delegate Washington: Funding

Increases Will Benefit Schools



School Board Representative Joshua Thomas, left, joins Alonzo Washington, center, for Table Talk at the New Deal Café on Febru-

At his first table talk of the year held in Greenbelt's New Deal Café, Delegate Alonzo Washington discussed funding for education and House Bill 1300, which is intended to implement recommendations from the Kirwan Commission and improve Maryland's school system.

Washington, the delegate for the 22nd District and chair of the Education subcommittee, went through a fact sheet detailing several policy areas in the bill, discussing each point.

Washington noted that the plan would take a while to take full effect, and that costs would ramp up over time.

"We're going to start with 2020 and we're going to be phasing the program in," Washing-

Letters to the Editor

Largely Uncritical

I regularly read the Greenbelt News Review and I really enjoy reading about local happenings. I also like paper's concern for the environment. So I was shocked to read "Small-Scale Nuclear Reactors May Be in Our Power Future." First, the article is largely uncritical of the dangers of nuclear power. The article mentioned that "only one" died from Chernobyl. This is not true. At least 30 clean-up workers on the site died. Furthermore, over 300,000 people had to be relocated from the area. Chernobyl is still unsafe for humans to live.

The exclusion zone around Chernobyl is approximately 1,000 square miles. The area is a 30 km (19-mile) radius of area around Chernobyl. The exclusion zone is unsafe for humans to live. Also, up to 6000 cases of thyroid cancer may be linked to exposure to Chernobyl's radiation.

Nuclear power may not emit greenhouse gases, but we don't know a lot about the dangers of nuclear. I encourage people to research for themselves. And please, GNR, fact check and be more careful about running puff pieces on dangerous technology.

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Hunan Treasure Is Closing Soon

Unfortunately, there's some very sad recent restaurant and business news for Greenbelt and Prince George's County: The much-loved, much-respected and longtime local Asian restaurant Hunan Treasure, located in Greenway Center, is scheduled to close down on March 21, after 25 years in business.

This follows the recent closures of three other businesses at Greenway Center: Payless, Dressbarn and the tailors/cleaners that was located near the Safeway for many years. That means four empty storefronts.

The word on the street is that the Greenway Center landlord raised the rent and Hunan Treasure could not afford the new rent. Hunan Treasure is exactly the type of good, strong, muchloved, local, quality, mom-andpop restaurant and business that Greenbelt needs, and it's the type of business that Greenbelt needs more of not less. Someone associated with the city should talk with this new Greenway Center management and implore these folks not to raise the rent on these small businesses.

We need mom-and-pop, affordable, quality businesses at Greenway Center and at Beltway Plaza – not chains, not formulaic places, not overcrowded townhouses, not more apartments, not plazas, not the shut-down of small businesses and mom-andpop businesses that people in the community love and respect. We need to keep as many mom-andpop, local, quality businesses up and running at Greenway Center and at Beltway Plaza as long as

Greenbelt officials should sit down and talk with Hunan Treasure owners this week and find out what is happening at that shopping center, and report back to the community. The city should also be helping the Hunan Treasure owners find another location so this great restaurant can continue serving this community for another 25 years.

Matt Neufeld

Yard Sale for Co-op?

Each summer during the late 70s and early 80s when we lived in the 37 court of Ridge, my parents would come down from Pennsylvania with a truck load of items they had purchased at yard sales and flea markets. After posting an ad in this newspaper with the code words Granny's Attic we would set up behind the garages near our house. Shortly after the sun had made its appearance, familiar faces along with new ones arrived and made purchases. By early- to mid-afternoon our tables were cleared and our coffers never held less than \$500.

Yard sales not only benefit individuals but others as well. Just imagine if every person in

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On Screen

Emma (Auditorium)

Handsome, clever, and rich, Emma Woodhouse is a restless queen bee without rivals in her sleepy little town. In this glittering satire of social class and the pain of growing up, Emma must adventure through misguided matches and romantic missteps to find the love that has been there all along. Mick LaSalle of the San Francisco Chronicle describes how this take on Jane Austen's classic novel is different: "It's funnier than most Austen adaptations and more visually beautiful, and then there's the movie's odd tone, which combines a rigorous attention to period detail with an arch and seemingly modern sensibility."

PG (age 12+). Running time: 124 minutes

Portrait of a Lady continues (Pop-up)

- Sandy Rodgers

City Notes

Black History Month events featured a day trip from Springhill Lake Recreation Center to Historic Greenbelt. Lunch at the Community Center, provided by Mission BBQ, was followed by a free showing of the film Harriet, with every seat filled.

Animal Control transported an injured hawk for rehabilitation. One dog was adopted and two cats were surrendered for adoption. Current shelter residents are two cats, one kitten, one dog and one gecko in foster care.

Street Maintenance/Special Details conducted a citywide telephone pole survey.

Refuse/Recycling collected 24.10 tons of refuse and 10.07 tons of recyclable material.

Recreation Administration conferred with the Police Department about health and safety matters associated with COVID-19.

Springhill Lake Recreation Center hosted Greenbelt Library's STEM-tastic program.

At the Aquatic Center, Special Olympics swimmers met for practice.



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The Auditorium

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Storytime on Screen Mon. 10:30 AM - FREE!

THE SIX TRIPLE EIGHT (NR)(72 mins) Sponsored by Greenbelt Recreation Dept. and Greenbelt Black History Month Committee Mon. 7:00 PM - FREE!

The Pop-Up

PORTRAIT OF A LADY ON FIRE (R)(French w/English subtitles)(2019)(119 mins) Fri. 5:15 PM Sat. 2:45, 5:15 PM Sun. 2:45, 5:15 PM Mon. 5:15 PM

> Tues. 5:15 PM Wed. 2:45, 5:15 PM Thurs. 5:15 PM

Service Side or Garden Side



Sorry ma'am, but the house with a 'Bernie Sanders sign, and Subaru,' is not specific enough, I will need an address.

- B. Glee

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Community Events

Local Groups Discuss Menu for Senior Climate Action

On Wednesday, March 11, from 7 to 9 p.m., the Greenbelt Climate Action Network will discuss Changing the System through Non-Violent Direct Action, in the Community Center, Room 114.

According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), if we are to have a 67 percent chance of limiting global heating to below 1.5 degrees Celsius, we had on January 1st of 2018 only about 420 gigatonnes of C02 left to emit. At our current emissions rate, that budget will be exhausted in 8 years, although many scientists reason that these numbers are too moderate. A recent climate model by 100 of the top French climate scientists outlines a worst case scenario of a 6-7 degree Celsius rise in temperature by 2100, a figure well above the worst case scenario in the IPCC reports.

And yet with red lights flashing and alarm bells ringing it has become clear that our political institutions are either unwilling or incapable of responding to this crisis with the scale and urgency demanded by the science. In response to this reality, last September saw the largest climate protests in the history of the movement. Catalyzed by the youth-led school strikes, an estimated 4 million people participated in actions in over 99 countries. Here in D.C., a coalition of social justice and climate activists occupied intersections across the city and shut down business as usual. Speakers from various local climate groups (Extinction Rebellion, #ShutDownDC, Beyond Extreme Energy, The Climate Mobilization) will be presenting various upcoming plans for further "Non-Violent Direct Action" (NVDA). In the words of Greta Thunberg, "if solutions within the system are so impossible to find, then maybe we should change the system itself."

The first hour will feature four guest speakers. The second hour will be devoted to updates on the city, county and state level. For questions, contact Lore Rosenthal, SimplicityGroupsMD@gmail.com, 301-345-2234.

GAC Presents Wicked Thoughts

Michael Jons' Wicked Thoughts is a baffling trick of a show that dares to peek into the dark corners of our individual and collective minds. The show will run this weekend only, March 6 to 8, at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, and at 2 p.m. on Sunday.

During the 90-minute interactive show, Jons uses his remarkable talents as a master mentalist and mind control expert to expose the world of mind manipulation we face every day. He will make you laugh, leave you astonished, and have you wondering about whose thoughts you're really thinking.

For more information and tickets visit greenbeltartscenter.org.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.

Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals, which provide at least one-third of Recommended Dietary Allowances for older adults, include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of March 9 are as

Monday, March 9: chicken breast with Alfredo sauce, garlic parmesan orzo, ratatouille, Italian bread, tropical fruit, fruit punch.

Tuesday, March 10: sliced ham with supreme sauce, whipped potatoes, green peas, whole-wheat roll, fresh fruit, cranberry juice.

Wednesday, March 11: Cuban beef, brown rice, mixed vegetables, corn muffin, mandarin oranges, apple juice.

Thursday, March 12: baked chicken leg with BBQ sauce, black-eyed peas, collard greens, biscuit, cranberry juice.

Friday, March 13: potato-crusted fish, au gratin potatoes, dilled carrots, whole-wheat bread, fresh fruit, orange juice.

Seed Workshop At Schrom Hills Park

CHEARS will present a Citizen Science seed-starting workshop and potluck lunch on Saturday, March 7 from noon to 3 p.m. at the Schrom Hills Recreation Center Pavilion and Three Sisters Garden.

This hands-on workshop will demonstrate how to foster seed diversity, healthy pollinators, organic soils and food security. In addition to learning how to start open pollinated seeds (those that can be saved and remain true in subsequent years, as opposed to one-season commercial hybrids), participants may help install accessible keyhole garden raised beds. These new beds will better accommodate Citizen Science Seed Saving Projects, as well as be accessible for seniors and persons with disabilities.

For more information and to register, visit the CHEARS website, chears.org.

Celebrate Greenbelt Through HUG Walk

RUAK (Random Unselfish Acts of Kindness) is again organizing the Help Unite Greenbelt (HUG) Walk to be held on Sunday, March 29 (rain or shine).

All Greenbelters are invited to participate in this event, joining the walk in any of the Greenbelt neighborhoods noted below and continuing through the city. RUAK requests that any and all groups and individuals from the community co-sponsor this nocost event, spread the word and join their neighbors to celebrate Greenbelt as a special, warm and welcoming place to call home. (There are already over 40 cosponsors including social, civic and religious groups.)

The HUG Walk Schedule: p.m., gathering at the Indian Creek Trail bridge (Greenbelt Station); 1:30 p.m., walk starts; 2 p.m., join the walk at Springhill Lake Recreation Center; 2:30 p.m., join the walk at Buddy Attick Park; 3 p.m., join the walk at Roosevelt Center; 3:30 p.m., join the walk at Greenbriar Community Center; 4 p.m., join the walk at Windsor Green Community Center; 4:30 p.m., walk concludes at Schrom Hills Park.

Any group that wishes to cosponsor this event should contact RUAK at spreadruak@gmail.com or Robert Goldberg-Strassler at 301-345-8755 by Friday, March 13. Further details of the Walk will be included in the Greenbelt News Review in an upcoming issue prior to the event.

GIVES Quarterly Meeting, March 21

Know about GIVES? The name stands for Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service. The goal is to help one another. For those who would like to have a way to be helpful to others - giving a ride, helping with yard work occasionally, assisting with a sewing project this group can lead you to people who need help now and then.

Come to the GIVES quarterly meeting on Saturday, March 21 at 10 a.m. in the Community Center. Learn how one can receive assistance when needed and give assistance to others who need it from time to time. Meet with people who have found this organization a rewarding part of living in Greenbelt.

WICKED

THOUGHTS

Presented by Michael Jons

Mindfulness Series

Greenbelt Unplugged is sponsoring a new monthly series that will explore different mindfulness practices from various traditions. Meetings will be held the second Sunday of each month. The first meeting will be at the Greenbelt Youth Center Conference Room on Sunday, March 8 from 1:30 to 3 p.m. This month's exploration will be the process of dialogue developed by David Bohm. All are welcome, admission is free. Location will change for future meetings, see greenbeltunplugged. org for more details.

Also, First Friday Family Game Night meets in Room 114 of the Community Center on Friday, March 6 from 6 to 9:30 p.m.

Antique Car Show At Capitol Cadillac

Antique and classic Cadillacs will be on display at the Annual Spring Cadillac and LaSalle Show being held at Capitol Cadillac Company on Sunday, April 26. The show will begin at 10 a.m. with awards being presented at 3 p.m. Approximately 80 cars will be on display both inside and out, rain or shine. Spectator admission is free. For additional information and details, contact Lynn at lynngardner@ clcpotomacregion.org.



Join Hot Composting Recycle Food Scraps

Learn how to recycle food scraps at the hot compost station near Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Join with neighbors to participate in a system that turns food scraps and wood chips into compost. Keep food scraps from creating methane at the landfill. Instead, return them to the earth to nurture new plants and flow-

A free 90-minute training session will be held on Saturday, March 7 from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center. Additional training will take place there at the same time on Saturday, April 4.

To participate and sign up for training, apply online at this address: bit.ly/GBComposting.

Send questions to: GreenbeltNeighborhoodCompost @gmail.com.

Zoning and Greenbelt

Chad Williams, master planner of the Countywide Planning Division of M-NCPPC, will be speaking at the Greenbelt Community Development Corporation public meeting on Tuesday, March 17, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Community Center, Room 114. His topic is the Neighborhood Conservation Overlay Zone (NCOZ) that will affect Old Greenbelt, in particular Roosevelt Center and Greenbelt Homes, Inc. Those with questions should come and get their questions answered.



GATe Annual Membership Meeting Sunday March 15th at 3pm

Join us at the Greenbelt Access Television Studio 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt MD, Suite 204 for our Annual Membership Meeting! The meeting includes a recap of last year's events at GATe and voting for new board members. Refreshments will be provided.

WATCH US on VERIZON Fios 19 or COMCAST 77 STREAMING LIVE at www.greenbeltaccesstv.org/channel-live-stream



Program Schedule Friday Mar 6 - Thursday Mar 12

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Coming Soon to the Greenbelt Arts Center March 20 - 29 - Shipwrecked April 17 - May 3 - The Children's Hour

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Virginia Beauchamp celebrates 50 years at the News Review,

been reached. Once endowed, the Beauchamp Scholarship will live in perpetuity to support generations of students. The fund must reach \$25,000 by June 30, 2021, in order to become an endowed scholarship.

Norah Quinn McCormick, assistant director of development for the College of Arts and Humanities at UMD, said that reaching this goal is absolutely essential in ensuring the Beauchamp Scholarship becomes a "life-sustaining giving vehicle" and has the potential to grow.

"This scholarship is meant to aid students who are pursuing women's studies at the graduate level and really committed to the study of women's issues," Quinn McCormick said. "In a way, these students are following in Virginia's footsteps and this will only take them farther along that path."

In light of Women's History

Girl Scouts Collecting For Animal Shelters

Girl Scout Troop 23007 is collecting donations of pet supplies to give to the Greenbelt Animal Shelter and the Prince George's County Animal Shelter. All donations must be given by Sunday, March 15. Donation points are at the Greenbelt Co-op Supermarket (box at the front of the store); at 8-D Ridge Road; 6303 Pontiac Street, Berwyn Heights; and 4102 Oliver Street, Hyattsville. Leave donations at homes on the front

Seeing future pets enjoy life makes the scouts smile. A list of needed items can be accessed here: https://bit.ly/3boS2dx.

For questions, contact GSTroop23007@gmail.com.

Month, and the deadline for giving to this scholarship quickly approaching, the News Review is calling upon its readers to help the Beauchamp Scholarship reach its endowment goal. Dollar for dollar, the News Review will match all donations up to a total of \$5,000.

A mother, co-worker, leader and friend, Virginia Beauchamp gave so much to her community. The News Review staff believes that through this series of stories, we will be able to call upon the community to open their hearts and give something to honor her.

This article is part one of a three-part series meant to honor Virginia Beauchamp's life and her legacy. Information on how to give to the Beauchamp Scholarship can be found in the advertisement on page 7.

Memorial Service For Joseph Sucher

A memorial service will be held for Greenbelter Joseph Sucher, professor of physics at the University of Maryland, on Sunday, March 15 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the University of Maryland Physical Sciences Complex, 4296 Stadium Drive, College Park. Those planning to attend should respond at umd.alumniq.com/index. cfm/events:register/primary/ eventId/835/iq.

Lenten Study at GCC

Greenbelt Community Church (GCC), the United Church of Christ is sponsoring a series of Agape Soup Meals and Lenten Scriptures Study on Wednesdays from 6 to 7 p.m. Agape meals are "a meal of love eaten by Christians as a token of brotherly [sisterly] love" (Merriam-Webster). A freewill offering will be collected.

Lent is celebrated as a time to fast or sacrifice while reflecting on the sacrifices and struggles of Jesus. During this time scripture shows us the many ways that Jesus communicated with God, seeking God's will for his life.

Some are trying to find more time in their busy lives to study, pray and experience God by studying the examples of Jesus to see what God is asking people to do in their lives. For the next five Wednesdays - March 4 to April 1 – GCC will provide an Agape Soup Meal from 6 to 7 p.m. This year's theme will be Living in the Light, which follows the Lenten Sunday lectionary readings.

The celebration of Lent has changed over the centuries and the diversity of people seeking God's meaning in their lives has expanded. A lot of exciting things are going on in faith communities and personal lives. Do a simple web search, go to an Agape Meal, visit faith communities, or speak to family and friends about possible activities to celebrate Lent and prepare for Easter.

The Bible Says...

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23



Sunday Worship Services 10am @ Greenbelt Elementary School

MCFcc.org



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This workshop will allow participants to identify the mechanics of stage fright and will provide tools and practices to convert performance anxiety into enthusiasm and confidence. These tools can be used by public speakers, musicians, athletes and others.

Participants are invited to bring a short speech or music to perform. There will be access to a microphone and a piano.



Condolences to the family and friends of Leroy F. Bowen, a Beltsville resident who was raised in Greenbelt. Bowen died February 27, 2020 at age 92. He graduated from Greenbelt High School in 1945.

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Adult Book Discussion

Tuesday, March 17, 7 p.m. Come join a discussion of Say Nothing: A True Story of Murder and Memory in Northern Ireland by Patrick Radden Keefe. Pick up a copy of the book at the Library to read before this date.

Lecture Series

Tuesday, March 10, 7 p.m. The Amazing True Story of Black Pirates, Ancient and Modern will be the next session in the audiovisual lecture series presented by historian C.R. Gibbs.

Storytime on Screen

Second and fourth Mondays, March 9 and 23, 10:30 a.m., ages newborn to 5. Bring a baby, toddler or preschooler to the Old Greenbelt Theatre to listen to a story read from the big screen, see a short film and complete a craft. Popcorn will be provided. No registration required.

Teen Board

Weekly on Mondays at 4 p.m., ages 13 to 18, limit 15 participants. Earn service hours while making the Library a great place for teens. Meet new people, become a leader. Registration is required. For further information, contact the Library either in person or by calling 301-345-5800 option 2.

English Club

Weekly, Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. Learning to speak English? Join this club and practice speaking English in a friendly atmosphere with people from diverse backgrounds.

Ready 2 Read

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Kids Club

Thursdays, 4 p.m., ages 5 to 12. Homework help and reading practice for students in grades 1 through 6. Ayuda con las tareas y práctica de la lectura para los estudiantes en los grados de 1 al 6. Service will be provided during half-hour sessions by appointment only; call the Library to register at 301-345-5800 option 2.

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GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL- REGULAR MEETING Municipal Building, Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 8:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION

Call to Order

Roll Call

Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.) Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS

Presentations

- Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA)
- Random Acts of Kindness Proclamation:
- Six Triple Eight Proclamation
- Friends of Greenbelt Theatre Presentation on Second Screen Renovation

Petitions and Requests

(Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)

* Minutes of Council Meeting Administrative Reports

* Committee Reports

LEGISLATION

A Resolution to Repeal and Reenact with Amendment Resolution Number 2065 to Adopt Standing Rules for the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland

- 2nd Reading

Resolution for State Enterprise Zone Focus Area

- 1st Reading, Suspension of the Rules
- 2nd Reading, Adoption

A Resolution to Abrogate Resolution 2068 which was for the Installation of Solar Photovoltaic Energy System to Offset Municipal Electricity Consumption to EDF Renewables Distributed Solutions of Columbia, Maryland (Solar Farm)

- 1st Reading, Suspension of the Rules
- 2nd Reading, Adoption

A Resolution to Negotiate the Installation of Solar Photovoltaic Energy System to Offset Municipal Consumption to Standard Solar, Inc. of Rockville, MD (Solar Farm)

- 1st Reading

OTHER BUSINESS

- Establishment of Firefly Sanctuary
- Buddy Attick Parking Lot Project Update
- MOU with Prince George's County for Police Computer Software
- Approval of the Advisory Committee on Trees Report
- Hanover Parkway Bikeway Facility Feasibility Study
- State Legislation
- County Legislation
- County Wide Sectional Map Amendment
- Regulating Cable Companies
- Greenbelt Armory Site
- *- WMATA Connection Agreement for WMATA Trail Project
- *- Appointments to Advisory Boards
- Council Activities
- Council Reports

SCHEDULING OF FUTURE MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail banderson@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

MEETINGS FOR MARCH 9-11

Monday, March 9 at 7:00pm, **COMMUNITY ANIMAL RE-SPONSE TEAM** at Police Station, 550 Crescent Road. On the Agenda: Inalizing the AKC Pet Disaster Trailer Grant details and Budget Preparations

Tuesday, March 10 at 5:30pm, **BOARD OF ELECTIONS** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Preparation for Wrap-Up Meeting with City Council*

Tuesday, March 10 at 8:00pm, **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd. gov/municipaltv*

Wednesday, March 11 at 8:00pm, COUNCIL WORK SESSION re: Memorial Wall Piece/ Small Cell Procedures and Policy Review at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996 and Streaming at www.greenbeltmd. gov/municipalty

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held, call 301-474-8000.

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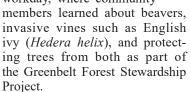
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Volunteers Pitch in to Remove English Ivy and Protect Trees

by Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll

Presidents Day arrives every year on the third Monday of February, a day to take some time to honor the previous leaders of the U.S. This past Presidents Day, 20 Greenbelters did just that by volunteering with the Public Works Department at Buddy Attick Park. Tree protection was the goal for the Co-Existing with Beavers volunteer Beavers at the Lake in 2015 workday, where community



The day began with coffee as Public Works Environmental Coordinator Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll gave a brief presentation on beavers and the important role they play in the environment. Beavers have the greatest immediate impact on their environment, second only to humans, and are often referred to as environmental engineers. By building dams that block waterways and flood the surrounding area, beavers are able to convert forest habitat into wetlands. These wetlands increase the local biodiversity by providing critical habitat for many different species of plants and animals that rely on them for food and shelter.

Dam and wetland creation is a normal occurrence in ecosystems that contain beavers but they do present serious challenges for municipalities. Felling trees and flooding areas can damage critical infrastructure and present public safety hazards. Instead of trapping, relocating or euthanizing the beavers at Buddy Attick Park, Public Works has taken the approach of co-existing with the beavers by selectively caging trees around Greenbelt Lake.

Beavers are known for their habit of chewing on trees for food and to build their dams and lodges. Tree caging is a useful method to deter the beavers from felling native trees in areas frequented by the public, such as the trails and homes around the lake. On Presidents Day, large trees close to the walking trail were targeted for caging while smaller trees were left uncaged. This prevents beavers from felling large trees, which can pose



a public safety hazard, while leaving the smaller trees for the beavers. This enables us to safely co-exist with the beavers.

Volunteers also had the opportunity to learn about invasive English ivy and how to identify it and safely remove it from trees. English ivy is an evergreen species of vine that is native to Europe and western Asia and was introduced in the U.S. as early as the 1700s, valued as a yearround, carefree ground cover for ornamental purposes. It has since been discovered to be a serious invasive species that can cause harm to natural ecosystems by overtaking forest floors and tree canopies. Without any natural predators, diseases or direct competition in the U.S., English ivy is able to flourish and out-compete native species. As it creeps along the forest floor, its foliage creates a secondary canopy that shades out competition, stunts forest regeneration and decreases biodiversity. The vine will also aggressively climb up trees into the canopy where it will branch out and shade the host tree, slowly killing it. The added weight of the vine also makes the afflicted trees susceptible to toppling over in high winds.

After the presentation, the volunteers were ready to get outside and work in the warmer than usual weather, with temperatures reaching close to 60 degrees. The group of 20 volunteers split into two groups, tree cagers and vine pullers, and effectively caged 120 trees while releasing numerous trees from English ivy, including a large and majestic old sycamore tree on the peninsula, for a total of 60 service hours. A special thank you to the members of Boy Scout Troop 214, many student volunteers and parents who made it possible.

Meet Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll: New Environmental Coordinator

by Callie Tansill-Suddath

The walls of Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll's office are covered in nature-themed art. Taped on the wood-colored brick are delicate leaf diagrams, a map of rivers and detailed portraits of bees. It is an appropriate setting for the workstation of Greenbelt's new environmental coordinator.

When Carpenter-Driscoll, a Certified Maryland Master Naturalist, assumed the role last month, he hit the ground running. At his introduction to the city council and residents during the council meeting on January 13, he announced plans for a Presidents Day of Service. Fast forward to the February 17 holiday: around 20 volunteers showed up at Buddy Attick Park to cage trees to prevent beaver damage. The idea, Carpenter-Driscoll says, is "not to necessarily remove [the beavers], but to coexist with them. It is more of a public safety initiative as beavers can chew on a tree that is close to a trail or a home and it becomes a hazard." In total they caged about 120 trees and removed some invasive vines as well.

A main duty of Carpenter-Driscoll is to create environmentally-based programs and organize events like this that educate and



Kevin Carpenter-Driscoll

involve the people of Greenbelt. When Presidents Day is over, his focus moved to Leap Day, when the next event - a bird count took place.

Carpenter-Driscoll is also spearheading the forthcoming food scrap composting program, in addition to writing grant applications and serving as a liaison for different committees in the city. He is responsible for making sure the facilities in Greenbelt are under code for the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) as well.

Considering the ecologi-

cal makeup of Maryland, Greenbelt likely does not seem as lush as some of the other regions. To the east are the Chesapeake Bay and the Delmarva Peninsula; to the west are the Blue Ridge and Allegheny Mountains. Looking at a map, Prince George's County falls near the middle, far from these landscapes. Part of the environmental coordinator's role, Carpenter-Driscoll explained, is to teach the community about the ecosystem in Greenbelt. He says, "Because of the high population density along the I-95 corridor, you get

so much human impact. With that usually comes invasive species which, to me, is a sort of watershed thing. That's what I work on a lot for conservation."

Carpenter-Driscoll has plenty of plans in store for the future, but his first focus was the Leap Day bird count. He explained, "Greenbelt is sponsoring teams for the Breeding Bird Atlas, which is a citizen science initiative to count bird populations." The tallies can be used to help refine state wildlife and habitat conservation plans. The City of Greenbelt promised to donate 29 cents per bird that volunteers found to the Maryland Ornithological Society to help with the initiative. "I can take people out, teach them things like that, and show them a good time," Carpenter-Driscoll said.

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Greenbelt as well as surrounding areas donated just one item for the benefit of the Co-op. At least 2,000 items could generate thousands of dollars based on our stats from a long time ago. Just a handful of volunteers could collect items, perhaps by going house to house on a Saturday, tagging the items, and then selling them in the Co-op parking lot on the next Saturday. At day's end the proceeds could be taken into the Co-op and some spent on food to then be donated to the Food Bank. This effort would not only help a struggling store but would also help struggling

families put food on their tables. At this moment we are all sitting near an item of which we have fallen out of love (NO,

not the spouse) but an item that could be donated to share love of helping someone in need. I just know there are volunteers in Greenbelt who would be willing to spend a couple of Saturdays to do what Eleanor would do.

I will be anxiously waiting to see the photos in this newspaper of the events and the Greenbelt heroes who did what Greenbelters have always done - shared the love. I miss Greenbelt and my Co-op.

> Shelva J. Angle Hanover, Pa.





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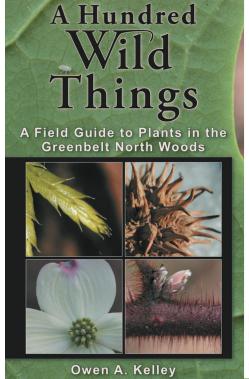
The **Beauchamp Scholarship** at the University of Maryland is named in memory of Professor Emerita, and longtime Greenbelt News Review staff member, Virginia W. Beauchamp. The scholarship provides annual need-based scholarships for graduate students in the Department of Women's Studies at UMD.

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Women's History Month

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Interested in women's history? If so, join the Reel and Meal on Monday, March 16, at the New Deal Café, for an evening of vegan food, film, fun and a chance to win one of seven free CDs of 19: The Musical, with original music by former Greenbelter Charlie Barnett, 19: The Musical, about the fight for women's right to vote (the 19th Amendment), previewed at the New Deal Café and played to full houses at the National Museum of Women in the Arts.

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the passing of the 19th Amendment, Women's History Month and Maryland's Year of the Woman, the Reel and Meal has a special evening planned. At 6:30 p.m. there will be an optional buffet (for a fee) and a documentary film (no charge) will be shown at 7 p.m. The documentary, Heather Booth, Changing the World, will be followed by Heather Booth herself leading a question-answer session and

discussion. Also, there will be an opportunity to win one of the free CDs by answering questions related to Women's History.

Booth is a civil rights activist, feminist and political strategist who has been involved in activism for progressive causes. Recruited for Freedom Summer, she joined many youth who traveled to Mississippi in 1964 to register black voters during one of the most dangerous periods of the Civil Rights movement. When she returned, she joined student activists in protesting the Vietnam War. She later went on to found the Midwest Academy, which has trained thousands of organizers across the country since 1973.

Join Reel and Meal at New Deal Café for an illuminating evening. For more information contact Aileen Kroll, aileen@dynamic-governance.org. And, stay tuned to the Greenbelt News Review next week for hints to success in the contest.

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things, teachers, actual, full-time, physical adults that can lead instruction, and space."

Leta Mach, a Greenbelt City Councilmember, suggested the Department of Education could partner with co-operatives, and that these co-operatives could help parent engagement.

Washington agreed that this was an important partnership to foster, particularly in early child-hood education.

"It's important because we know that there are professionals that do really great work there; as a county and as a state we don't have the capacity to do the work those schools are doing at an early stage," Washington said.

One challenge in implementing some of the proposals is a lack of facilities and staff, according to Washington.

HB1300 purports to solve this problem both by ramping up construction and by increasing teacher salaries across the board to a minimum of \$60,000 in 2029. This proposal drew some questions. One community member asked how Prince George's

County would be able to bring in more teachers if Montgomery County raised its base salary.

Washington said that raising the base salary would help attract teachers to the state overall.

"This number 60,000 is going to be statewide," Washington said. "Montgomery County isn't hiring their teachers at 60,000 right now, they're hiring them at about 46,000."

Washington also said that the bill contains an increase in perpupil funding for schools with a high concentration of poverty to pay for increased services, particularly social workers and healthcare practitioners.

"Everyone can receive those services at those schools, we're not just limiting it to students in poverty," Washington said. These changes would impact schools where more than 80 percent of students are eligible for free and reduced meals.

Washington also discussed some of the ways the state could raise revenue to pay for the implementation of HB1300, including a proposed carbon tax.

Janna Parker, a resident and activist in Prince George's County, criticized two of the proposed tax changes, which ban income subtraction for contribution to the Maryland College Investment plan if the money was being used for private high schools and grade schools, and means test some individual tax credits for solar panels, disability access ramps and similar modifications to structures for high income taxpayers.

"I have a issue with any sort of recommendation that would increase the payments or taxes on middle- or lower-income families," Parker said. The measures Parker criticized only raised small amounts of money, and she felt they penalized people for putting away money for their children's futures or prioritizing sustainability.

"The solar panels and accessibility ramps are things that we, as a community, have said are priorities for us," Parker said. "It seems like we're taking that away for this small revenue."







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Police Blotter

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Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Assault

February 20, 3:30 p.m., 7601 Hanover Parkway. A 16-year-old Greenbelt youth was arrested for second degree assault after he allegedly set a girl's ponytail on fire as a joke at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. She was not injured. The youth was released to a parent pending action by the school board and Juvenile Justice System.

February 25, 4:11 p.m., 6200 block Breezewood Drive. A man reported that he saw a group of youths fighting in the area of Breezewood Drive and Springhill Lane. He tried to break it up, at which time three of them assaulted him and one punched him in the face. They fled on foot. The man refused medical attention.

Theft

February 20, 9:20 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. An unattended cell phone was taken from a laundry room.

February 21, 4:24 p.m., 6100 block Greenbelt Road. A man reported that his wallet fell out of his pocket at Target. He located it and discovered money had been taken.

February 25, 8:16 p.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. Keys were removed after a locker at Planet Fitness was broken into. The man then discovered his locked vehicle had been entered and his wallet taken.

Fraud

February 21, 3:17 p.m., 7600 block Ora Glen Drive. A woman reported that she placed an envelope containing checks in the mail at the Greenbelt Post Office. The checks were later found to have been altered and cashed by an unknown person.

Credit Cards

February 26, 7400 block Greenway Center Drive. A man reported that he lost his wallet containing credit cards which were later used to make unauthorized purchases.

Burglary

February 20, 2:38 a.m., 100 block Centerway. Officers responded to a report of a burglar alarm sounding at the Co-op Supermarket. A safe had been removed after forced entry.

February 24, 4 p.m., 9100 block Springhill Lane. A projec-

tion television and a laptop computer were taken after a residence had been entered by way of an unlocked sliding glass door.

Vehicle Crime

An 18-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with rogue and vagabond after officers responded to a report of tampering in progress in the 8400 block Canning Terrace. He ran from the officers but was apprehended a short time later, positively identified and arrested. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

The breaking of windows was involved in five out of seven incidents of theft and vandalism. Thefts included taking power tools in the 9100 block Edmonston Road and diagnostic tools in the 6400 block Ivy Lane. Also taken from Ivy Lane were two backpacks and an iPad computer, and in the 8100 block Miner Street a backpack and notebook computer.

Two acts of vandalism on Cherrywood Lane included using a fire extinguisher to break out two windows and a group of youths jumping on two vehicles, causing body damage.

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Peace vigils happen every Friday at 5 p.m. in the Roosevelt Center in front of the Mother and Child statue. Participants share a thought, sing a song or serve as a witness for peace in the world with neighbors and friends. For more information, contact John Campanile at jbelltower@yahoo.

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent on things that matter." - Martin Luther King, Jr.

Greenbelt Pool: Key Training Site for Ecologists and ROVs

by Amy Hansen

Deep Trekker, an underwater Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV), has a job to do. It has to find and record the number of yellow pygmy sculpins, fish that live only in Coldwater Spring, Alabama. To do the survey work, the human operators of Deep Trekker need to be up to speed as well.

Which is why Greenbelter Peter May put Deep Trekker in the Greenbelt pool in the early hours of Sunday, February 23. May, an assistant research professor of environmental science and technology at the University of Maryland, said he had been casting around for a practice area.

"I was excited and happy that the Greenbelt Pool got back to us quickly," adding that the shallow end made a good starting point for new operators. In addition to himself, he brought former student and new Greenbelter Larry Davis, as well as colleagues



Peter May and Larry Davis hold Deep Trekker outside the UMD neutral buoyancy tank.

Blaine Snyder, Bob Murphy and Chris Wharton of Tetra-Tech.

When the pygmy sculpins were last surveyed, the data was collected by live divers. Not only is it hard work to dive and count, but the divers may scare the fish, introducing a sampling error. The fish are on Alabama's list of threatened species.

Now the Deep Trekker needs to get to the Coldwater Spring because the fish's home was recently the site of a small chemical spill. The Army base nearby wanted to know if the fish were okay.

Bob Murphy puts Deep Trekker in the water at Greenbelt Aquatic &

Deep Trekker is about the **Fitness Cen** size of a basketball. It works **takes notes.** on a 300-meter tether and is outfitted with lights and cameras for seeing and recording, lasers for measuring and robotic claws abama spring.

On Sunday morning, Deep

Trekker splashed around successfully. On Monday, May and the team took the machine to UMD's 25-footdeep tank used by the Space Systems Lab of the Aerospace Engineering Department.



Army base nearby wanted to Bob Murphy puts Deep Trekker in know if the fish were okay.

Deep Trekker is about the Fitness Center while Blaine Snyder size of a basketball. It works

After that, Deep Trekker and its handlers shipped out to Alabama where it explored the spring. The video samples will be evaluated by a visual recognition system and the fish will be counted without any scientist getting wet.

And it worked. The fish are alive and well in Coldwater Spring. The data will be crunched – that is, the size of their population will be determined – soon. But for May, the project was already positive.

"They got a lot of visuals on the sculpins," he said in an email. "It was a success!"

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Another noise study.

Private recreation facilities.

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al residential units.

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ket study to assess viability of housing types, like senior and co-operatives.

Consideration of elevated walkways where applicable and doable.

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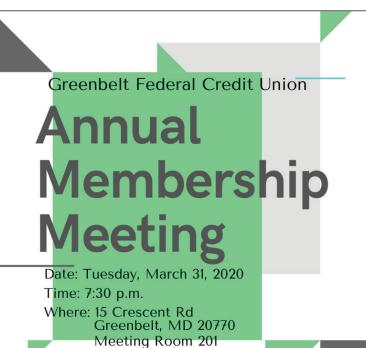
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In a letter to the planning board, Mayor Colin Byrd stated that "the city views the redevelopment of the Beltway Plaza property as an exciting opportunity for the city and the county, and is dedicated to continuing to work with Beltway Plaza and the county as this project moves forward." He added that the conditions of council are vital for the city's position of support.

Kap Kapastin, general counsel for Quantum Companies, which is part of the applicant partnership, was "gratified by the outpouring of support from the merchants of the Mall, representatives of key community groups

and the Greenbelt council and planning staff." He believes the project is "critical to the enhancement of the amenity and to the Greenbelt and Prince George's community." Due to the complexity of the undertaking, he expects one or more DSPs in the future.

This type of mixed commercial and residential space will be a first for the county. Yet, according to Campbell, the precedent has been set nationally as enclosed malls are in general decline. The drivers of this change are increases in online retail and a preference toward a walking access between stores and homes. He said that the Beltway Plaza redevelopment is a way to stay competitive with the trend.





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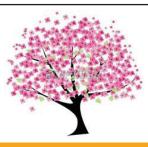
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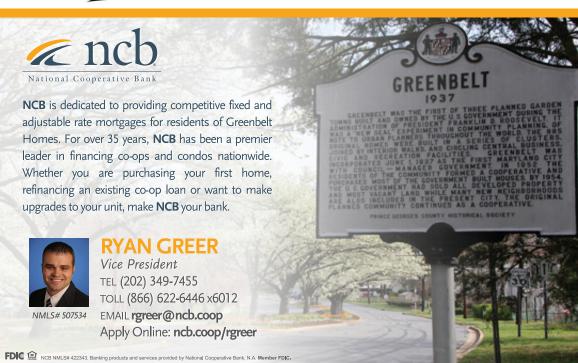
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Sports

Raiders Win, Make Playoffs; Lady Raiders Done for Season

by Patrick Gleason

With eight points in less than 20 seconds, the Eleanor Roosevelt Raiders erased the doubt that started to engulf their Tuesday, March 3, first-round playoff matchup with the C.H. Flowers Jaguars. With a transition came a three pointer from senior Jahari Simon, a steal and layup on the ensuing inbounds pass from Olumide Lewis, and a James Rice three, off another Jaguar turnover, the Raiders had regained a one-point lead. The home crowd erupted at this scoring spree and the Raiders never looked back. Now they prepare for their March 5 matchup at 7:00pm with the Dr. Henry A. Wise Pumas.

In the first half, the Jaguars slowed the Roosevelt offense with their length and a tenacious zone defense. The Raiders remained cold while sophomore Kevon Corley poured in three consecutive threes for the Jaguars, leading to an 11-point halftime lead. The mid-range game of senior guard Joemel McNair and the sharp shooting from Simon kept the Raiders afloat until the 20 seconds of madness. With about a minute left, senior swingman Quinton Mincey cemented the Roosevelt victory with an emphatic dunk, as the Raiders completed the first task in their state

title defense. With a victory on Thursday, the Raiders would host a Saturday afternoon matchup. A victory there would result in another state semi-final appearance at the University of Maryland.

The Lady Raiders had a reverse performance, jumping to a 12-10 first quarter lead over the Wise Pumas on Monday night, before Wise slowly gained momentum. Senior guards Monica Brown and Norma Thornhill hassled the Pumas in to turnovers, but the Raider offense had trouble getting off the ground, especially with senior forward Daja Claiborne in foul trouble most of the night. A comeback seemed possible until the final minutes of the fourth quarter as the Pumas ended the Roosevelt season with the 48-35 victory.



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Greenbelt Artist Mounts Solo Paintings Exhibit in Annapolis

Vantage Point: Paintings by Sally Davies is a solo exhibit installed this week in the Balcony Gallery at Maryland Hall in Annapolis, and will be on display until May 23. It can be viewed during open hours, Monday to Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and when the Maryland Ballet, the Maryland Opera and other stage productions perform. For more information, contact info@ mdhallarts.org, 410-263-5544, 410-280-5540 or marylandhall. org/exhibits/current-exhibits.

This is a 50-painting exhibit, many featuring ballet. Inspired by Degas, Greenbelter Davies sat in on the Ballet Theatre of Maryland rehearsals at Maryland Hall to sketch the dancers on stage and behind the scenes. Her goal was to explore how shapes, pattern and color influence the perception of movement and

time. Her artistic challenge is to convey dramatic movement and subtle transformations of the figure through active brush strokes and color placement.

Davies creates time-lapse films of her painting process, photographing her artwork (including rough sketches & color studies) every few hours or days. She puts these images together into short time-lapse films for each painting. Four of her time-lapse videos were screened at the Utopia Film Festival at the Old Greenbelt Theatre this past fall and many are available at sallyjkdavies.wixsite.com/ sallydaviespaintings/time-lapse.

An artist's opening reception for Vantage Points will be held on Thursday, March 19, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Maryland Hall, Annapolis. The event is free and open to the public.



Pompidou Promenade

-Photos by **Sally Davies**



Sally Davies' framed work awaits installation in Vantage Point: Paintings by Sally Davies.





Stroll on the Green

Saturday Morning

<u>A Review</u>

Steel Magnolias Has Audience Laughing through Their Tears

by Brogan Gerhart

"Natural beauty does not exist," may be the motto of Truvy Jones's beauty salon in Chinquapin, Louisiana, but it is reassuring to see that talent and passion are alive and well in Greenbelt.

Goddard's Music and Drama Club (MAD) offered an intimate and heartfelt performance of Steel Magnolias, a story about six women struggling, but in the end succeeding, to overcome hardship, hold onto love through loss and maintain their sense of humor and friendship through it all.

Director and NASA video producer Paul Morris's take on Robert Harling's original script not only stripped the story down to its most important themes, but it fit the cast of powerful, pragmatic women to a T.

Anne Hull, who played the quick to anger and even quicker to tell you about it Ouiser Boudreaux, never failed to make the audience laugh, delivering a powerful performance as the headstrong and stubborn counterpart to Nina Harris's Clairee Belcher, the always-cheerful, football-loving widow of the former mayor. Hull and Harris played off each other brilliantly, their banter providing much-needed comedic relief when the audience needed

Divya Pereira played Truvy Jones, owner of the beauty salon and a hopeless romantic with a heart of gold, who hires Robin Roper's new-in-town Annelle Dupuy-Desoto, who's running from a tumultuous past. Pereira made the salon feel like home for both the five other women on stage and the audience. Roper's quiet and demure composure provided a level ground that balanced some of the other characters' flamboyant personalities.

One standout performance was Jill E. Goodrich, who played mother of the bride M'Lynne Eatenton. A calm and collected matriarch throughout the majority of the show, Goodrich delivered one of the most gut-wrenching and raw sermons during the climax, shouting in frustration the line that gives this play its title: "Men are supposed to be made out of steel or something!" Her delivery was a force of nature that was only enhanced by the relationship she had with her diabetic daughter, Shelby Eatenton-Latcherie, who was expertly played by Rachel Heney.

Surrounded by a simple set and accessorized with ample amounts of 1980s references and hairspray, it was impossible to tell which character was the lead, as each actor not only portrayed their own character in a light that Robert Harling would have been proud of, but every woman supported the other, helping their cast members shine even brighter.

Although the Louisiana accent tripped up more than a few actors, it only added to the quaint Southern charm that emanated from the stage. Timely pop music smoothed the changes and cued viewers to flash forward in time.

Overall, MAD's production of Steel Magnolias wrestled with a variety of difficult situations like an unhappy marriage, children growing up and leaving the nest, giving birth and experiencing death. Although the scope of these experiences may seem broad, the show also highlighted some of the more jovial lessons in life like the difference between blush and pink, the thrill of opening a can of worms and a new spin on a classic phrase: "If you don't have anything nice to say, sit by me."

Ouiser may not have had any magnolias on her tree, but the MAD stage blossomed with a stellar cast that told the age-old story of women gossiping in a beauty salon, supporting each other through the trials and tribulations of life and growing closer together not only as a group of friends, but as a family.

Remaining performances will be on March 6, 7 and 8 at the NASA Goddard Recreation Center, 9998 Good Luck Road. For more information about MAD, upcoming shows and tickets, visit madtheater.org.

Caption Correction

Several weeks ago, two photos with two captions were submitted for publication. Sadly, we inadvertently mixed the two up. Below are the two photos with the correct captions.

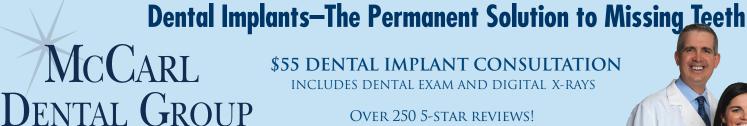


The Sunrise Greenbelt Launch Party, at the Greenbelt Community Center on February 6, is organized by Eleanor Roosevelt High School Students with the support of the Greenbelt Climate Action Network (GCAN). The group, almost entirely composed of high school and college students, discuss their generation's future and the Green New Deal, as well as ways to promote component initiatives at the local, county, state, and national levels.



Prince George's Environmental Forum is co-hosted by Greenbelt Climate Action Network's (GCAN) Lore Rosenthal, Prince George's County Council Member Tom Dernoga (County Council, District 1), and Patuxent Riverkeeper, Fred Tutman. The February 9 event was attended by over 100 environmental activists and elected officials, including City Councilmember Judith Davis.

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